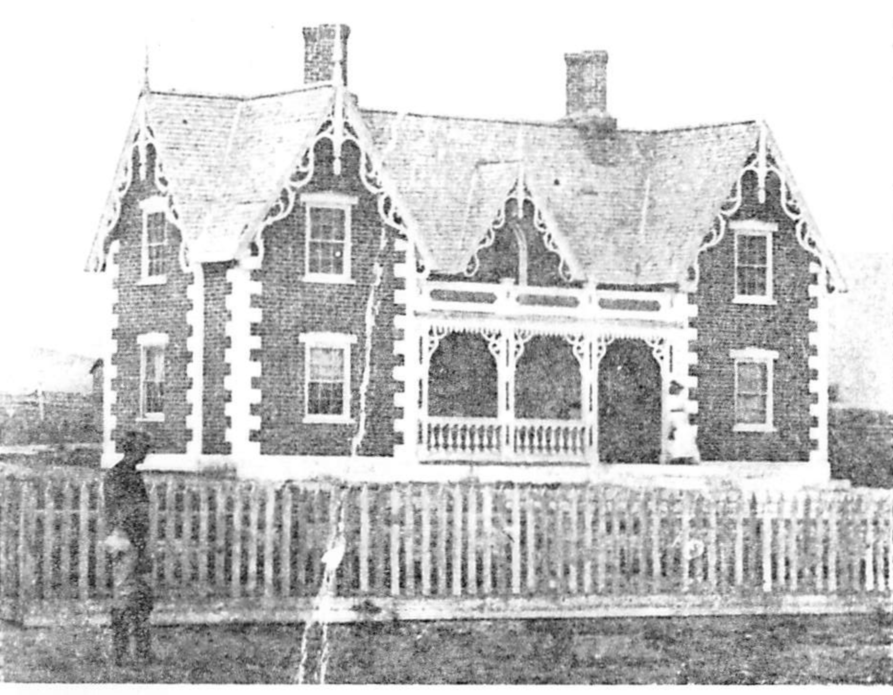
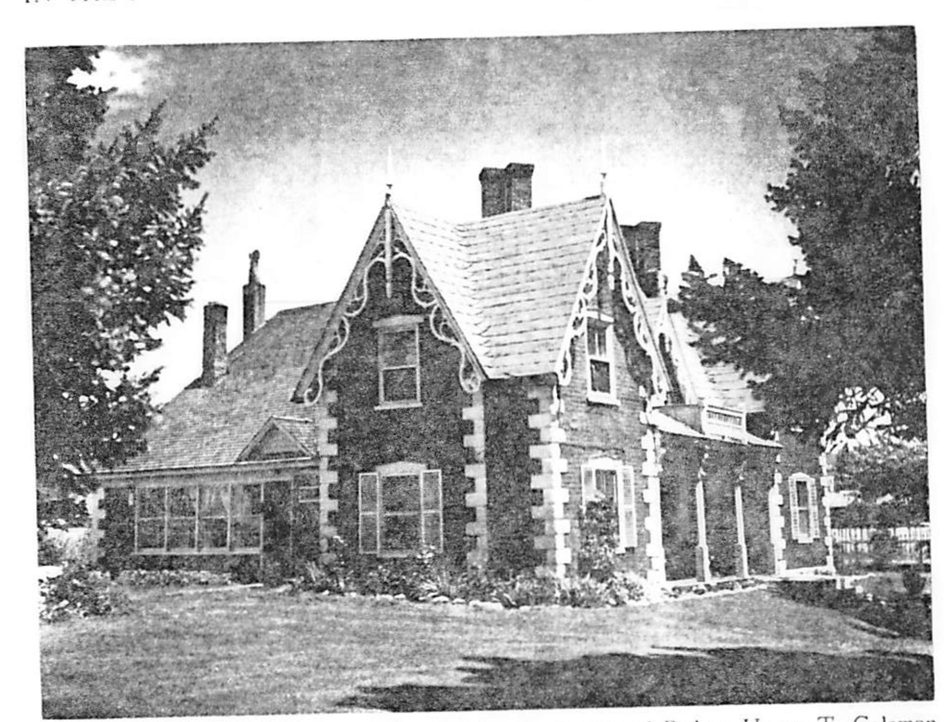
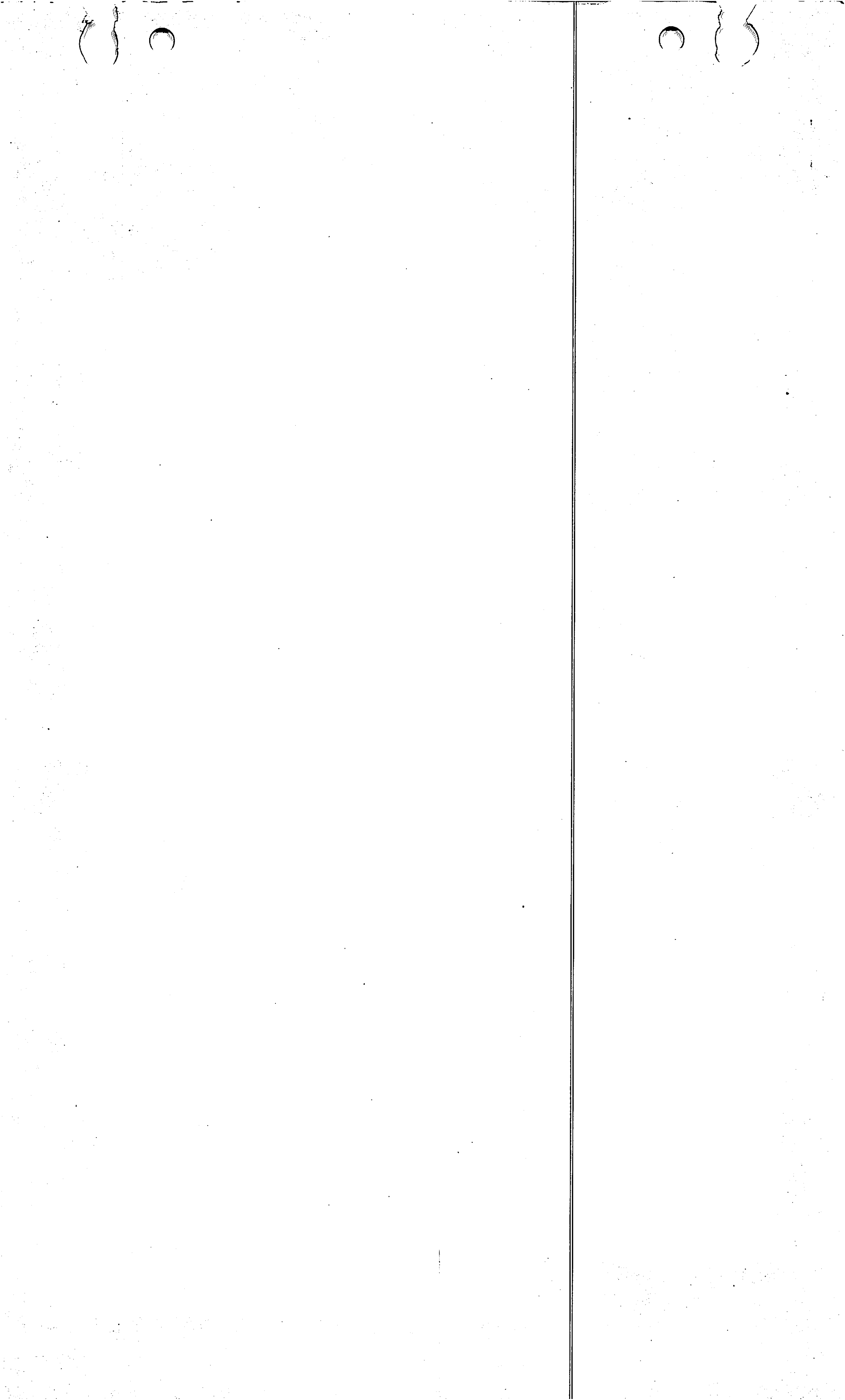


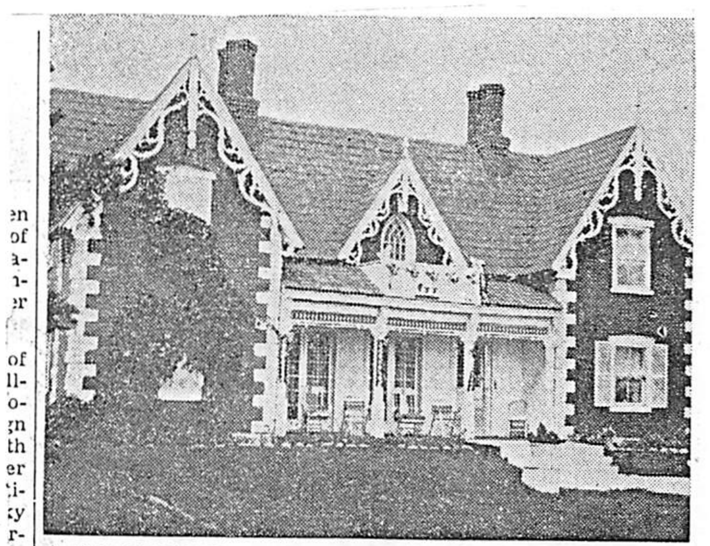
The first brick home in Wasatch County as it was built by Bishop John Watkins in 1868. Hand pressed brick were used, with white sand stone corners. Woodwork on the outside was by Moroni Blood, a Swiss immigrant. Timber and lumber used throughout the home was milled and planed by Henry Coleman Sr. John Watkins, who built the home, had come to Midway from England where he was a noted architect.



The home as it has been preserved today by the family of Bishop Henry T. Coleman who purchased the property in 1904. The traditional English landscaping and the flavor of the original architecture make it one of the scenic attractions in the entire valley.







COLEMAN HOME VISITED— Midway's famous home, was visited by seminar group during tour. The house is 101 years old and was recently catalogued by the Library of Congress as one of the beautiful homes of America.

Museum & Historical Seminar Tours Here

About 20 students of state and local history attended a two week seminar at the University of Utah, on the administration of historical societies and museums. The seminar ended on September 19.

The students were selected on the basis of what they could contribute to the study of state and local history and were from many states and from Canada.

The seminar was conducted by Dr. Everett L. Cooley, Curator of Western Americana at the University of Utah and with 19 faculty members, all of who were professionals in in the administration of historical societies and museums throughout the country.

One of the field trips, included Park City area, Heber City and Midway.

Saturday, September 13, the morning was spent seeing the Treasure Mountain by gondola ride to the top; the train ride through the tunnel and luncheon. They then came to Heber City by bus where they were greeted at the historical Wasatch Stake Tabernacle by Ruth Witt and Hope Mohr. Everyone was impressed by the beautiful architecture and workmanship of the Tabernacle. Ruth gave a talk on the history of Heber City and the Town Square. Questions concerning the preservation of the buildings were answered.

The group was then taken to see the Social Hall. There was amazement expressed at the winderful spring floor. It seems no one had ever heard of putting a dance floor on springs.

The next place of interest to be visited was the Wave office where they viewed some of the early copies of the paper which has been in continuous publication since 1889.

A few minutes were spent admiring the distinctive old Hatch home just east of the Heber Exchange.

Dr. Cooley expressed appreciation to those who cleaned the Tabernacle to make it pleasant for them. These people were Don Barker, Kent Larsen and six Scouts, Hugh Barker, Luis Leon, Lynn Larsen, Robert Reese, Steven Webster, Wally Gillette who cleaned the floor. And a group of six women who cleaned the benches and put the finishing touches on the outside and inside.

The group then went to Midway where they toured the 101 year old Henry T. Coleman home. Mrs. Lethe Tatge and Mrs. Merle Madsen guided the group on the tour of the house and yards. Mrs. Mohr, Mrs. Witt, Mrs. Tatge and Mrs. Madsen then joined the group for a dinner at The Homestead.